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JOHN ARMSTRONG TO JACKSON.

War Department, February 16, 1813.

Sir, Herewith inclosed you will receive a duplicate of an order addressed to you at New Orleans. You will have delivered over to the Commanding Officer at Fort Massac all munitions and property belonging to the United States, which have been put into the possession of your detachment.1

1 To Jackson, fairly overflowing with patriotic zeal, the brief notes of the Secretary of War must have been discouraging. They could not have been more formal and less appreciative of the patriotism of the West Tennessee men.

I have the honor etc.